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Re: General Notice of Potential Liability and

Request for Information Sauget Area 2, Site Q

Dear Ms. Ropski:

We represent U. S. Paint Corporation and recently have been forwarded your general notice of potential liability and request for information with respect to Sauget Area 2, Site Q dated December 16, 1994 for reply. Contained within your notice, you advised that "as a potentially responsible party, you should notify U. S. EPA in writing within seven days of receipt of this letter of your willingness to perform or finance the activities described above." At this time, without sufficient information in order to make such a determination, U. S. Paint Corporation is not in a position to state its willingness to perform or finance activities in connection with the clean-up of Sauget Area 2, Site Q. investigation of the facts in connection with this matter proceeds and U. S. Paint Corporation becomes aware of any responsibility with respect to the condition of this Site, certainly U. S. Paint Corporation will be in a better position to state its position with respect to the contribution for clean-up.

In addition, this letter will confirm your office's previous telephone conversation with the Secretary Treasurer of U. S. Paint Corporation Robert Meeks in which it was agreed that U. S. Paint Corporation would have until on or before January 20, 1995 to respond to your request for information. Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Sincerely,

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cc: Robert F. Meeks, Secretary/Treasurer

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